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RE: IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF VENTURE COMMUNICATIONS
COOPERATIVE FOR SUSPENSION OR MODIFICATION OF LOCAL DIALING
PARITY RECIPROCAL COMPENSATION OBLIGATIONS
SDPUC Docket File Number TC 06-181 (PUC07-01)
GPGN File No. 5925.060651

Dear Ms. Johnson:

Since the conference call you had with Darla Rogers and me, we have been able to confer with out-of-state counsel. Ms. Rogers also conferred with Rich Coit of SDTA, an Intervenor in this action. Based on the dates you gave us for a possible hearing, May 8th at 2:00 p.m. central time, would be available on the schedules of all counsel.

Regarding responses to the Motions to Compel, you may recall we originally discussed filing responses by April 27th. However, that response date did create conflicts with some of the counsel. Given the hearing will be now scheduled for May 8th, Ms. Rogers and I agreed that everyone could have their responses filed by close of business on May 2nd. If this creates an issue for you, please let us know.

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It is our understanding that the Motion to Dismiss and the Motions to Compel will be addressed at the May 8th hearing. It is also our understanding that two-hours have been reserved for this hearing and representatives can appear in person or telephonically. If you need anything else from the parties prior to the hearing date, please let us know.

Sincerely,



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